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#### **SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE**

The following Clause applies to the Firm-Fixed-Price and/or IDIQ CLINS of the Contract:

#### E.1 FAR 52.246-2 INSPECTION OF SUPPLIES – FIXED PRICE (AUG 1996)

- (a) *Definition*. "Supplies," as used in this clause, includes but is not limited to raw materials, components, intermediate assemblies, end products, and lots of supplies.
- (b) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Government covering supplies under this contract and shall tender to the Government for acceptance only supplies that have been inspected in accordance with the inspection system and have been found by the Contractor to be in conformity with contract requirements. As part of the system, the Contractor shall prepare records evidencing all inspections made under the system and the outcome. These records shall be kept complete and made available to the Government during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires. The Government may perform reviews and evaluations as reasonably necessary to ascertain compliance with this paragraph. These reviews and evaluations shall be conducted in a manner that will not unduly delay the contract work. The right of review, whether exercised or not, does not relieve the Contractor of the obligations under the contract.
- (c) The Government has the right to inspect and test all supplies called for by the contract, to the extent practicable, at all places and times, including the period of manufacture, and in any event before acceptance. The Government shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work. The Government assumes no contractual obligation to perform any inspection and test for the benefit of the Contractor unless specifically set forth elsewhere in this contract.
- (d) If the Government performs inspection or test on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, at no increase in contract price, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties. Except as otherwise provided in the contract, the Government shall bear the expense of Government inspections or tests made at other than the Contractor's or subcontractor's premises; provided, that in case of rejection, the Government shall not be liable for any reduction in the value of inspection or test samples.

(e)

- (1) When supplies are not ready at the time specified by the Contractor for inspection or test, the Contracting Officer may charge to the Contractor the additional cost of inspection or test.
- (2) The Contracting Officer may also charge the Contractor for any additional cost of inspection or test when prior rejection makes re-inspection or retest necessary.

- (f) The Government has the right either to reject or to require correction of nonconforming supplies. Supplies are nonconforming when they are defective in material or workmanship or are otherwise not in conformity with contract requirements. The Government may reject nonconforming supplies with or without disposition instructions.
- (g) The Contractor shall remove supplies rejected or required to be corrected. However, the Contracting Officer may require or permit correction in place, promptly after notice, by and at the expense of the Contractor. The Contractor shall not tender for acceptance corrected or rejected supplies without disclosing the former rejection or requirement for correction, and, when required, shall disclose the corrective action taken.
- (h) If the Contractor fails to promptly remove, replace, or correct rejected supplies that are required to be removed or to be replaced or corrected, the Government may either (1) by contract or otherwise, remove, replace, or correct the supplies and charge the cost to the Contractor or (2) terminate the contract for default. Unless the Contractor corrects or replaces the supplies within the delivery schedule, the Contracting Officer may require their delivery and make an equitable price reduction. Failure to agree to a price reduction shall be a dispute.

(i)

- (1) If this contract provides for the performance of Government quality assurance at source, and if requested by the Government, the Contractor shall furnish advance notification of the time-
- (i) When Contractor inspection or tests will be performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract; and
  - (ii) When the supplies will be ready for Government inspection.
- (2) The Government's request shall specify the period and method of the advance notification and the Government representative to whom it shall be furnished. Requests shall not require more than 2 workdays of advance notification if the Government representative is in residence in the Contractor's plant, nor more than 7 workdays in other instances.
- (j) The Government shall accept or reject supplies as promptly as practicable after delivery, unless otherwise provided in the contract. Government failure to inspect and accept or reject the supplies shall not relieve the Contractor from responsibility, nor impose liability on the Government, for nonconforming supplies.
- (k) Inspections and tests by the Government do not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for defects or other failures to meet contract requirements discovered before acceptance. Acceptance shall be conclusive, except for latent defects, fraud, gross mistakes amounting to fraud, or as otherwise provided in the contract.

(1) If acceptance is not conclusive for any of the reasons in paragraph (k) hereof, the Government, in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law, or under other provisions of this contract, shall have the right to require the Contractor (1)at no increase in contract price, to correct or replace the defective or nonconforming supplies at the original point of delivery or at the Contractor's plant at the Contracting Officer's election, and in accordance with a reasonable delivery schedule as may be agreed upon between the Contractor and the Contracting Officer; provided, that the Contracting Officer may require a reduction in contract price if the Contractor fails to meet such delivery schedule, or (2) within a reasonable time after receipt by the Contractor of notice of defects or nonconformance, to repay such portion of the contract as is equitable under the circumstances if the Contracting Officer elects not to require correction or replacement. When supplies are returned to the Contractor, the Contractor shall bear the transportation cost from the original point of delivery to the Contractor's plant and return to the original point when that point is not the Contractor's plant. If the Contractor fails to perform or act as required in paragraph (l)(1) or (l)(2) of this clause and does not cure such failure within a period of 10 days (or such longer period as the Contracting Officer may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the Contracting Officer specifying such failure, the Government shall have the right by contract or otherwise to replace or correct such supplies and charge to the Contractor the cost occasioned the Government thereby.

### E.2 FAR 52.246-4 INSPECTION OF SERVICES – FIXED PRICE (AUG 1996)

- (a) Definition. "Services," as used in this clause, includes services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.
- (b) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Government covering the services under this contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Government during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires.
- (c) The Government has the right to inspect and test all services called for by the contract, to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the contract. The Government shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.
- (d) If the Government performs inspections or tests on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, at no increase in contract price, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.
- (e) If any of the services do not conform with contract requirements, the Government may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with contract requirements, at no increase in contract amount. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by reperformance, the Government may—

- (1) Require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements; and
- (2) Reduce the contract price to reflect the reduced value of the services performed.
- (f) If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the services again or to take the necessary action to ensure future performance in conformity with contract requirements, the Government may—
  - (1) By contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the Government that is directly related to the performance of such service; or
  - (2) Terminate the contract for default.

### E.3 FAR 52.246-12 INSPECTION OF CONSTRUCTION (AUG 1996)

- (a) *Definition*. "Work" includes, but is not limited to, materials, workmanship, and manufacture and fabrication of components.
- (b) The Contractor shall maintain an adequate inspection system and perform such inspections as will ensure that the work performed under the contract conforms to contract requirements. The Contractor shall maintain complete inspection records and make them available to the Government. All work shall be conducted under the general direction of the Contracting Officer and is subject to Government inspection and test at all places and at all reasonable times before acceptance to ensure strict compliance with the terms of the contract.
- (c) Government inspections and tests are for the sole benefit of the Government and do not-
- (1) Relieve the Contractor of responsibility for providing adequate quality control measures;
- (2) Relieve the Contractor of responsibility for damage to or loss of the material before acceptance;
  - (3) Constitute or imply acceptance; or
- (4) Affect the continuing rights of the Government after acceptance of the completed work under paragraph (i) of this- section.
- (d) The presence or absence of a Government inspector does not relieve the Contractor from any contract requirement, nor is the inspector authorized to change any term or condition of the specification without the Contracting Officer's written authorization.
- (e) The Contractor shall promptly furnish, at no increase in contract price, all facilities, labor, and material reasonably needed for performing such safe and convenient inspections and

tests as may be required by the Contracting Officer. The Government may charge to the Contractor any additional cost of inspection or test when work is not ready at the time specified by the Contractor for inspection or test, or when prior rejection makes reinspection or retest necessary. The Government shall perform all inspections and tests in a manner that will not unnecessarily delay the work. Special, full size, and performance tests shall be performed as described in the contract.

- (f) The Contractor shall, without charge, replace or correct work found by the Government not to conform to contract requirements, unless in the public interest the Government consents to accept the work with an appropriate adjustment in contract price. The Contractor shall promptly segregate and remove rejected material from the premises.
- (g) If the Contractor does not promptly replace or correct rejected work, the Government may-
- (1) By contract or otherwise, replace or correct the work and charge the cost to the Contractor; or
  - (2) Terminate for default the Contractor's right to proceed.
- (h) If, before acceptance of the entire work, the Government decides to examine already completed work by removing it or tearing it out, the Contractor, on request, shall promptly furnish all necessary facilities, labor, and material. If the work is found to be defective or nonconforming in any material respect due to the fault of the Contractor or its subcontractors, the Contractor shall defray the expenses of the examination and of satisfactory reconstruction. However, if the work is found to meet contract requirements, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment for the additional services involved in the examination and reconstruction, including, if completion of the work was thereby delayed, an extension of time.
- (i) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government shall accept, as promptly as practicable after completion and inspection, all work required by the contract or that portion of the work the Contracting Officer determines can be accepted separately. Acceptance shall be final and conclusive except for latent defects, fraud, gross mistakes amounting to fraud, or the Government's rights under any warranty or guarantee.

The following Clause applies to the Cost Reimbursement and/or IDIQ CLINS of the Contract:

# E.4 FAR 52.246-3 INSPECTION OF SUPPLIES – COST REIMBURSEMENT (MAY 2001)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Contractor's managerial personnel" means any of the Contractor's directors, officers, managers, superintendents, or equivalent representatives who have supervision or direction of-

- (1) All or substantially all of the Contractor's business;
- (2) All or substantially all of the Contractor's operation at a plant or separate location where the contract is being performed; or
- (3) A separate and complete major industrial operation connected with performing this contract.

"Supplies" includes but is not limited to raw materials, components, intermediate assemblies, end products, lots of supplies, and, when the contract does not include the Warranty of Data clause, data.

- (b) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Government covering the supplies, fabricating methods, and special tooling under this contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Government during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires.
- (c) The Government has the right to inspect and test the contract supplies, to the extent practicable at all places and times, including the period of manufacture, and in any event before acceptance. The Government may also inspect the plant or plants of the Contractor or any subcontractor engaged in the contract performance. The Government shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.
- (d) If the Government performs inspection or test on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish and shall require subcontractors to furnish all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.
- (e) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government shall accept supplies as promptly as practicable after delivery, and supplies shall be deemed accepted 60 days after delivery, unless accepted earlier.
- (f) At any time during contract performance, but no later than 6 months (or such other time as may be specified in the contract) after acceptance of the supplies to be delivered under the contract, the Government may require the Contractor to replace or correct any supplies that are nonconforming at time of delivery. Supplies are nonconforming when they are defective in material or workmanship or are otherwise not in conformity with contract requirements. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (h) of this clause, the cost of replacement or correction shall be included in allowable cost, determined as provided in the Allowable Cost and Payment clause, but no additional fee shall be paid. The Contractor shall not tender for acceptance supplies required to be replaced or corrected without disclosing the former requirement for replacement or correction, and, when required, shall disclose the corrective action taken.

(g)

- (1) If the Contractor fails to proceed with reasonable promptness to perform required replacement or correction, the Government may-
- (i) By contract or otherwise, perform the replacement or correction and charge to the Contractor any increased cost or make an equitable reduction in any fixed fee paid or payable under the contract;
- (ii) Require delivery of undelivered supplies at an equitable reduction in any fixed fee paid or payable under the contract; or
  - (iii) Terminate the contract for default.
- (2) Failure to agree on the amount of increased cost to be charged to the Contractor or to the reduction in the fixed fee shall be a dispute.
- (h) Notwithstanding paragraphs(f) and (g) of this clause, the Government may at any time require the Contractor to correct or replace, without cost to the Government, nonconforming supplies, if the nonconformance is due to-
- (1) Fraud, lack of good faith, or willful misconduct on the part of the Contractor's managerial personnel; or
- (2) The conduct of one or more of the Contractor's employees selected or retained by the Contractor after any of the Contractor's managerial personnel has reasonable grounds to believe that the employee is habitually careless or unqualified.
- (i) This clause applies in the same manner to corrected or replacement supplies as to supplies originally delivered.
- (j) The Contractor shall have no obligation or liability under this contract to replace supplies that were nonconforming at the time of delivery, except as provided in this clause or as may be otherwise provided in the contract.
- (k) Except as otherwise specified in the contract, the Contractor's obligation to correct or replace Government-furnished property shall be governed by the clause pertaining to Government property.

# E.5 FAR 52.246-5 INSPECTION OF SERVICES – COST-REIMBURSEMENT (APR 1984)

(a) Definition. "Services," as used in this clause, includes services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or used in performing services.

- (b) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Government covering the services under this contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Government during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires.
- (c) The Government has the right to inspect and test all services called for by the contract, to the extent practicable at all places and times during the term of the contract. The Government shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.
- (d) If any of the services performed do not conform with contract requirements, the Government may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with contract requirements, for no additional fee. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the Government may—
  - (1) Require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements; and
  - (2) Reduce any fee payable under the contract to reflect the reduced value of the services performed.
- (e) If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the services again or take the action necessary to ensure future performance in conformity with contract requirements, the Government may—
  - (1) By contract or otherwise, perform the services and reduce any fee payable by an amount that is equitable under the circumstances; or

#### The following Clause applies to the Labor Hour and/or IDIO CLINS of the Contract:

# E.6 FAR 52.246-6 INSPECTION – TIME-AND-MATERIAL AND LABOR-HOUR (MAY 2001)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

"Contractor's managerial personnel" means any of the Contractor's directors, officers, managers, superintendents, or equivalent representatives who have supervision or direction of—

- (1) All or substantially all of the Contractor's business;
- (2) All or substantially all of the Contractor's operation at any one plant or separate location where the contract is being performed; or

- (3) A separate and complete major industrial operation connected with the performance of this contract.
- "Materials" includes data when the contract does not include the Warranty of Data clause.
- (b) The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Government covering the material, fabricating methods, work, and services under this contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Government during contract performance and for as long afterwards as the contract requires.
- (c) The Government has the right to inspect and test all materials furnished and services performed under this contract, to the extent practicable at all places and times, including the period of performance, and in any event before acceptance. The Government may also inspect the plant or plants of the Contractor or any subcontractor engaged in contract performance. The Government shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.
- (d) If the Government performs inspection or test on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish and shall require subcontractors to furnish all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.
- (e) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government shall accept or reject services and materials at the place of delivery as promptly as practicable after delivery, and they shall be presumed accepted 60 days after the date of delivery, unless accepted earlier.
- (f) At any time during contract performance, but not later than 6 months (or such other time as may be specified in the contract) after acceptance of the services or materials last delivered under this contract, the Government may require the Contractor to replace or correct services or materials that at time of delivery failed to meet contract requirements. Except as otherwise specified in paragraph (h) of this clause, the cost of replacement or correction shall be determined under the Payments Under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts clause, but the "hourly rate" for labor hours incurred in the replacement or correction shall be reduced to exclude that portion of the rate attributable to profit. The Contractor shall not tender for acceptance materials and services required to be replaced or corrected without disclosing the former requirement for replacement or correction, and, when required, shall disclose the corrective action taken.
- (g)(1) If the Contractor fails to proceed with reasonable promptness to perform required replacement or correction, and if the replacement or correction can be performed

within the ceiling price (or the ceiling price as increased by the Government), the Government may—

- (i) By contract or otherwise, perform the replacement or correction, charge to the Contractor any increased cost, or deduct such increased cost from any amounts paid or due under this contract; or
- (ii) Terminate this contract for default.
- (2) Failure to agree to the amount of increased cost to be charged to the Contractor shall be a dispute.
- (h) Notwithstanding paragraphs (f) and (g) of this clause, the Government may at any time require the Contractor to remedy by correction or replacement, without cost to the Government, any failure by the Contractor to comply with the requirements of this contract, if the failure is due to—
  - (1) Fraud, lack of good faith, or willful misconduct on the part of the Contractor's managerial personnel; or
  - (2) The conduct of one or more of the Contractor's employees selected or retained by the Contractor after any of the Contractor's managerial personnel has reasonable grounds to believe that the employee is habitually careless or unqualified.
    - (i) This clause applies in the same manner and to the same extent to corrected or replacement materials or services as to materials and services originally delivered under this contract.
- (j) The Contractor has no obligation or liability under this contract to correct or replace materials and services that at time of delivery do not meet contract requirements, except as provided in this clause or as may be otherwise specified in the contract.
- (k) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Contractor's obligation to correct or replace Government-furnished property shall be governed by the clause pertaining to Government property.

#### E.7 DOE-E-2001 INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE (OCT 2014) (REVISION)

(a) Inspection of all items under this Contract shall be accomplished by the Contracting Officer (CO), the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR), or any other duly authorized Government representative identified by the CO. The Contractor will be notified in writing or by a copy of the delegation of authority if a representative other than the CO or the COR identified in Section G of the Contract is designated.

- (b) Acceptance of all work and effort under this Contract (including "Deliverables" in Section J, Attachment J-4) shall be accomplished by the CO, COR, or any other duly authorized Government representative identified by separate letter. Items, services, and deliverables under this Contract shall meet applicable Contract quality and quantity standards to be accepted.
- (c) Final inspection and acceptance of the work under this Contract shall be accomplished by the CO upon completion of all Contract requirements.

### E.8 FAR 52.246-16 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPLIES (APR 1984)

- (a) Title to supplies furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon formal acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession, unless the contract specifically provides for earlier passage of title.
- (b) Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss of or damage to supplies shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon
  - (1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or
  - (2) Acceptance by the Government or delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, whichever is later, if transportation is f.o.b. destination
- (c) Paragraph (b) of this clause shall not apply to supplies that so fail to conform to contract requirements as to give a right of rejection. The risk of loss of or damage to such nonconforming supplies remains with the Contractor until cure or acceptance. After cure or acceptance, paragraph (b) of this clause shall apply.
- (d) Under paragraph (b) of this clause, the Contractor shall not be liable for loss of or damage to supplies caused by the negligence of officers, agents, or employees of the Government acting within the scope of their employment.

#### E.9 INSPECTION BY REGULATORY AGENCIES

Work performed under this Contract is subject to inspection by State and Federal Government Regulatory agencies including those described below.

Permission has been granted by the DOE to allow Federal and State occupational health and safety officials to enter DOE installations, without delay and at reasonable times, to conduct routine safety and health investigations. Permission also extends to safety and health investigations based on reports of unsafe conditions.

The Contractor shall cooperate with regulatory agencies and shall provide personnel to accompany the agency inspection or review teams. Contractor personnel shall be knowledgeable concerning the work being inspected, and participate in responding to all requests for information, inspection or review findings by regulatory agencies.

#### E.10 DOE EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE

DOE will monitor and evaluate the Contractor's performance both quantitatively and qualitatively as described in the Quality Assurance Surveillance Plan (QASP) (see Section J, Attachment J-11 Quality Assurance surveillance Plan). The contract is considered a performance-based approach and therefore, the primary concern of the DOE is with the product and service results provided by the Contractor and not with the procedures used to produce them. The QASP sets the standards for Evaluators in assessing the Contractor's performance.

# E.11 FAR 52.246-11 HIGHER-LEVEL CONTRACT QUALITY REQUIREMENT (DEC 2014)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the higher-level quality standard(s) listed below.

Quality Assurance Program (QAP) compliant with DOE O 414.1D, Change 1, *Quality Assurance*, for all facilities and activities. Additionally, nonreactor nuclear facilities (as defined in 10 CFR 830, *Nuclear Safety Management*, Section 830.3, *Definitions*) must be compliant with 10 CFR 830, *Nuclear Safety Management*, Subpart A, *Quality Assurance Requirements*. The Contractor shall utilize the Contractor Assurance System (CAS) per DOE O 226.1B, *Implementation of Department of Energy Oversight Policy*, to monitor and evaluate all work performed under this Contract, including work of subcontractors, to ensure work performance meets the applicable requirements for environment, safety, and health, including quality assurance and integrated safety management; safeguards and security; cyber security; and emergency management.

The QAP must describe how the quality assurance criteria from DOE O 414.1D, 10 CFR 830, Subpart A are satisfied. The Contractor shall use voluntary consensus standards in the development and implementation of the QAP, where practicable and consistent with contractual and regulatory requirements. Where appropriate, the Contractor must use a graded approach to implement the QAP that is commensurate with hazards, lifecycle of facilities and other risks. The basis of the graded approach utilized shall be documented, and submitted to U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for approval.

(1) For Hazard Category 1, 2, and 3 nuclear facilities:

- (i) Existing facilities, or new facilities and major modifications to existing facilities achieving Critical Decision 1 (CD-1) prior to May 8, 2013 may continue to use the consensus standard cited in the DOE-approved OAP.
- (ii) New facilities and major modifications to existing facilities achieving CD-1 use American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) NQA-1-2008, Quality Assurance Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications, with the NQA-1a-2009, Quality Assurance Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications Addenda 1a (or a later edition), Quality Assurance Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications, Part I and applicable requirements of Part II.

Note: where NQA-1, Part II language uses the terms "nuclear power plant" or "nuclear reactor", these terms are considered equivalent to the term "nuclear facility."

- (iii)Consensus standard(s) that provide an adequate level of quality assurance and meet the intent of paragraph (ii) above may be used. The QAP must document how the selected consensus standard is (or a set of consensus standards are) used, as well as how the selected consensus standard(s) is appropriate.
- (2) For other activities and facilities (e.g., less than Hazard Category 3, non-nuclear, or chemically hazardous), the Contractor shall use, in whole or in part, appropriate standards. Examples of appropriate standards include:
  - (i) ASME NQA-1a-2009 addenda (or later edition), *Quality Assurance*\*Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications, Part I and applicable requirements of Part II;
  - (ii) ASME NQA-1-2000, *Quality Assurance Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications*, Part I and applicable requirements of Part II;
  - (iii)American National Standards Institute (ANSI)/International Organization for Standardization (ISO)/American Society for Quality (ASQ) Q9001-2008 (or later edition), *Quality Management System Requirements*; and
  - (iv) ANSI/ASQ Z 1.13-1999 (or later edition), Quality Guidelines for Research.
- (b) The Contractor shall include applicable requirements of the higher-level quality standard(s) listed in paragraph (a) of this clause and the requirement to flow down such standards, as applicable, to lower-tier subcontracts, in—
  - (1) Any subcontract for critical and complex items (see 46.203(b) and (c)); or
  - (2) When the technical requirements of a subcontract require—

- (i) Control of such things as design, work operations, in-process control, testing, and inspection; or
- (ii) Attention to such factors as organization, planning, work instruction, documentation control, and advanced metrology.

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